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APPLICANT: ROBERT S. HERRICK,
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This AMENDMENT is responsive to an Office Action dated June 10, 1999, which set a shortened statutory period for response to this action to three (3) months from the date thereof requiring a response to be filed on or before September 10, 1999.

Pursuant to a Petition under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136(a), concurrently filed herewith, together with the fee required under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(a)(3), the undersigned elects to extend the response date three (3) months from September 10, 1999 to December 10, 1999.

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